



Application No. 09/923,569
Preliminary Amendment dated March 23, 2004
Reply to Notice of Allowance of December 23, 2003

Docket No. 1232-4750

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): SUGAWARA, et al.
Serial No.: 09/923,569
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For: COLOR COMBINING OPTICAL SYSTEM, IMAGE PROJECTION OPTICAL SYSTEM, AND PROJECTION TYPE IMAGE DISPLAY APPARATUS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

A Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due, with an accompanying Notice of Allowability, was issued in this case on December 23, 2003. Applicants have not paid the issue fee, and have concurrently filed a Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") under 37 C.F.R. §1.114. This Amendment is being filed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.114. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.